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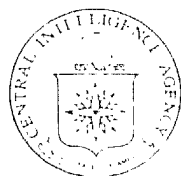
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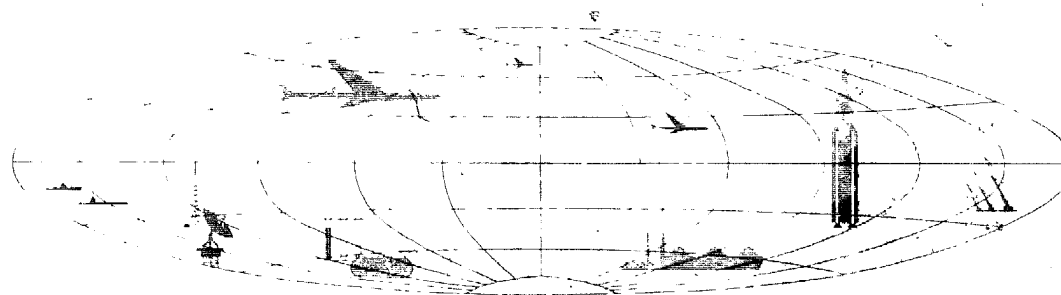
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This report presents information, based on KEYHOLE photography of [REDACTED] on the changes in the new support area at the Tyuratam Missile Test Center (TTMTC) since [REDACTED]. The area is located 2.1 nautical miles (nm) northwest of the support area for Launch Complex A and 1.2 nm northeast of the road between Launch Complexes A and E (Figures 1 and 2).

Construction activity has continued in this area. A new rail spur with a total length of approximately 4,200 feet is under construction on the east side of the main rail spur. The new spur now terminates near the site of a large building or buildings under construction, at which only ditches and holes for foundations and footings are apparent. There are six linear, parallel ditches 780 feet in length and spaced approximately 125 feet apart. No concrete work can be seen in the ditches, and, considering their width, the possible range of separation is from 115 to 160 feet. Four of the ditches have holes in them spaced approximately 75 feet apart. Overall dimensions of this construction site are 780 by 615 feet. Two unidentified traces extend northeast from this site and one of them terminates in an excavation about 1,500 feet away. Tracks in the snow leading eastward to Launch Complex A appear to be unimproved roads. A probable powerline enters the site on the west side and appears to be from a probable heat power plant located in the construction support area.

The construction support area consists of three batch plants, each consisting of four tanks/silos approximately 65 feet high and an inclined conveyor 170 feet long with a maximum height of [REDACTED]. The easternmost batch plant has an additional conveyor parallel to the rail spur. Materiel stockpiles are close by. A probable heat power plant is located just east of the batch plants but details are obscured by smoke and/or steam. A tower [REDACTED] high, possibly a standpipe, is located just to the south. Four new buildings and two long, low, shedlike structures have been constructed along the west end of the rail spur serving the construction support area, and an unidentified structure and a third low, shedlike structure are located just east of the probable heat/power plant. Details of these facilities cannot be discerned. One H-shaped building has been added in the housing area and several small buildings have been erected in the open storage area just westward. Six buildings approximately 235 by 45 feet are under construction east of the main rail spur.

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No connections to Launch Complex A other than rail or road can be identified. The distance from this support area to Launch Complex A by main road is 10.3 nm. The distance to Launch Complex A by unimproved road is 2.1 nm. The distance from the large building or buildings under construction to Pad A1 is 1.9 nm.

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FIGURE 1. NEW SUPPORT AREA, TTMT.

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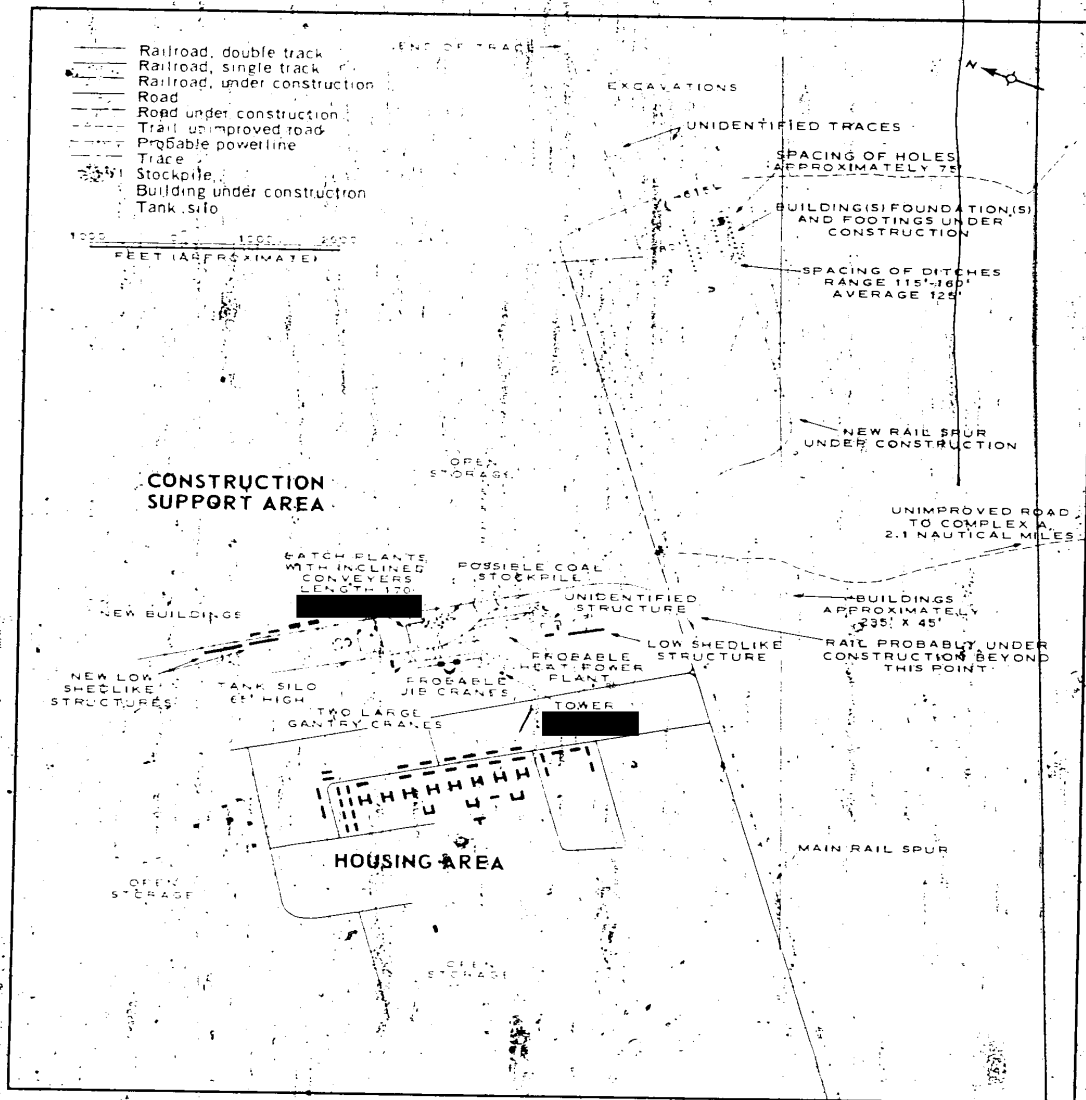


FIGURE 2. LAYOUT OF NEW SUPPORT AREA.

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